

AN IRRELIGIOUS CODE.

A cook at Upperton, in Scotland, has thrown up his situation on the following grounds.—1. That the Bible is read in the kitchen on Sunday nights. 2. That followers are not allowed. 3. That she does not get out on Sundays. The question is, whether such a cook is entitled to wages and has had ample cause before Small Debt Court at Cumber on Friday when the cook was sued for £1 10s. damages for leaving her place without justifiable cause. As regards the reading of the Bible in the kitchen on Sunday evenings, the sheriff held that it was not for him to decide whether his practice ought or not to prevail; but he did not consider it open to him to do so, and only he entered by servants at reasonable hours. On the question of the cook's "Sunday out," she was silent, but he held that she was not justified in leaving her place under the circumstances, and awarded 10s. damages, with 7s. costs. This case will no doubt excite considerable interest in the kitchens and parlours of the United Kingdom, and will serve to teach all religious people the value of a private principle. According to the recognized rules of domestic service, the kitchen is the cook's alone, "from tureen to foundation-stone," and one has a right to wash even a basin in it without her permission.—*Full Mail Gazette*.

KILLED BY A TIGER.

The following facts relating to the end and death of young Mr. Baillie, who died the other day from injuries inflicted by a tiger, will be found interesting. Mr. Baillie had been engaged for a couple of months' leave, and was shooting big game in the Assamong jungles. He had already shot some half dozen bears, besides panthers, a good many sunbears and other animals, when on the night of the 28th-29th instant, a large tiger came within a hundred yards of his tent, and shot the tiger. Mr. Baillie was at this time shooting out the bank of the Tapti, about twelve miles distant from the Chardine railway station. On the morning of the 10th he tracked up the tiger, who had been so near his tent, for a considerable distance, but eventually lost him, or rather, for the animal subsequently proved to be a tigress. At about 4.30 p.m. Mr. Baillie, who had been walking for six hours, and had had fair sport, was feeling tired and had given his rifle to a beater to carry, the tigress suddenly came in sight, but disappeared again before he could get a sight at her. The beaters then put Mr. Baillie on the bank of a nullah, and said they would beat the animal up towards him, which the tigress evidently did. She appeared again, and Mr. Baillie, who was in a spastic state, fled and wounded her, not severely. He first fled again with the same effect. A third time he fired with apparently fatal effect, this time, for the tigress rolled over her back, clawing the air convulsively with her legs. On this Mr. Baillie went up within fifty or sixty yards of her and fired again to make sure of her. The bullet struck her in the eye, and she lay at once. A few bounds were made, then she lunged him down and sinking him by the left knee, which she bit severely, and losing her hold made a grab at his head, which he availed with his arm. He must have been killed on the spot, but not one of his beaters, a dog, rushed up to him in the most plucky way, and at the imminent risk of his own life, put an end to the tigress's suffering. The bullet had passed through the heart, and the dog was able to get up, and his beaters helped him to make up a shaggy coat on which he was carried to Chardine railway station, which he reached at between four and five next morning. The station master at once sent to Assamgarh for a surgeon, but he did not come, sending a message instead to the effect that the wounded man should either be sent on to Khandwa or else be sent to Calcutta. The station master, the more advanced course, and a gentleman who came to the Chardine station kindly took charge of Mr. Baillie, and telegraphed to Khandwa to Dr. Cullen, the Civil Surgeon, to meet him at the railway station. Dr. Cullen did so, washed and dressed his wounds and looked after his wife the utmost care and attention, as did also another gentleman of Khandwa, to whose house Mr. Baillie was sent, and there he remained until he recovered from the effects of his injuries. Mr. Baillie thought his injuries were not serious, and was exceedingly plucky and hopeful about himself, but on the afternoon of the 13th became delirious, and died the next day.—*Times of India*.

A seedy chap, without a nickel in his pocket, ate a forty-cent dinner in an Omaha restaurant. When he had to confront the cashier he lost his presence of mind. Instead of saying, "I'm an Indian editor," and gracefully waiting for a cigar, he said, "Gee, I've got to cash this check." And as he did in the bar. "The cashier did kick, sent him from the door into the gutter on the first round."

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

OPTUM.

THURSDAY, 3rd August.

The rates for both kinds of Bengal drag have favoured buyers to-day; New Patna quitted at \$53 per ton, and New Benares at \$57 per ton.

EXPORT CARGOES.

For British bark Vizcaya, for Melbourne and Sydney.—For Melbourne 237 boxes Oil, 49 boxes Soap, 150 boxes Samson, 2,155 rolls Mutton, 250 pugs. Five Crackers, 500 boxes Tea (Seated Orange Pekoe 10,000 lbs., 1,251 pugs Sandries. For Sydney 450 rolls Mutton, 62 boxes Provisions, and 250 pugs Sandries.

Per O. & S. Co.'s steamer Gaiti, for San Francisco and Yokohama.—For Yokohama 1,795 bags Sugar, 272 pugs Marzipan.—For San Francisco 87 boxes Gauze, 3,002 pugs Gunny Bags, 87 boxes Gauze, 2,104 bags Tea, 9,249 bags Beans, 2,104 bags Rice, 17 boxes Prepared Ointments, 659 pugs Marzipan, 1,251 pugs Sandries, 1,251 pugs Tea, 543 bushels Rice, For Chicago 1,251 pugs Bushels Tea, For Montreal 250 bushels Tea, For New York 3 pugs Merchandise, 250 pugs Tea, 1,461 bushels Tea, 582 boxes Tee, and 345 bushels Silk.

EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON.—Bank Bills, on demand—3104. Bank Bills, at 90 days' sight—3104. Bank Bills, at 6 months' sight—3111. Credits, at 6 months' sight—12. Documentary Bills, at 6 months' sight—12.

ON BONNAR.—Bank, sight—237. CALIFORNIA.—Bank, sight—237. ON SHANGHAI.—Bank, sight—71. Private, 30 days' sight—734.

SHARES.

HONGKONG and Shantung Bank Shares—11 per cent. premium.

Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$650 per share.

China and Japan Marine Insurance—Tl. 15 per share.

Chinese Insurance Company—\$26 per share.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Company's Shares—\$15 per share, sellers.

China Fire Insurance Company's Shares—\$150 per share, sellers.

Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company's Shares—27 per cent. discount.

Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.'s Shares—12 per cent. discount, sales.

Shanghai Steam Navigation Company—Tl. 15 per share.

Hongkong Hotel Company's Shares—\$52 per share.

Chinese Imperial Loan—2105.

SALES OF AUGUST 3RD, AS REPORTED BY CHINESE.

Vermicelli—20 bags, at \$370, by Hing Tai to local trader.

Quitchies—5 bags, at \$220, by Hing Tai to travelling trader.

Almonds—20 bags, at \$370, by Kwong Fung to local trader.

Almonds—10 bags, at \$30, by Kwong Fung to local trader.

Wing Sui to travelling trader.

Milled Rice—20 bags, at \$164, by Wo Kee to local trader.

Food Fish—14 bags, at \$220, by Kwong Hui to travelling trader.

China Root—115 packages, at \$315, by Kwong Hui to travelling trader.

White Sugar—200 bags, at \$3,000, by Kwong Hui to travelling trader.

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